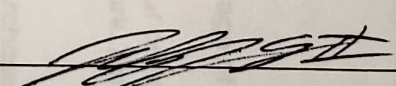


Artist Statement: 27th Annual Exhibition of Artists in Michigan Prisons

Artist Name: Jefferson "Smitty" Smith

Spending my time expressing myself in my art helps me meditate and relax. I like using acrylic paint because I like how bold and vibrant the colors come out and I like learning new techniques to change and compose my pictures. Using anime to express my art allows me to view myself thru the characters that are my favorites and allows me the freedom to do whatever I'm capable of. There are no walls or ceiling to painting anime and it gives me the sense of freedom that I miss. I paint for myself but I hope that any of my work would strike happiness, wonder or confusion into the viewer. That makes it art in my eyes.



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